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## Information Works! 2005 Reports Available On Line at RIDE-URI Web Site

The first elements of Information Works! 2005 have been posted on the Information Works! Web site, www.infoworks.ride.uri.edu

Information Works!, a joint project of the R.I. Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the National Center on Public Education and Social Policy, at the University of Rhode Island, consists of a collection of reports on all public schools and school districts in Rhode Island, plus a detailed State Report that contains statewide data on assessments, school finances, and other aspects of instruction and school climate.

The project is now in its eighth year.

The Information Works reports are being posted on line as and when they are ready. The first reports posted include:

- Data from the annual SALT Survey of parents, students, and teachers on the social and emotional connectedness of each school community
- A table that shows the students' point of view of their school environment
- Tables on suspensions and disciplinary infractions

Over the next two months, more sections will be added to the school reports, including information about the statewide assessments, school finances, attendance and dropout rates, and teacher qualifications. Statewide tables, including the complete list of school-performance classifications, and district-level reports will also be posted. It is expected that all reports will be on line by June, when the state report will be published in booklet form.